

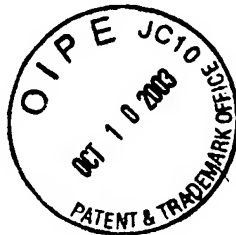


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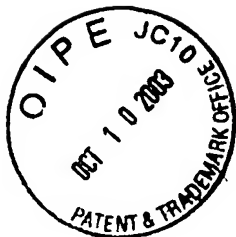
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## Title

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Responsive to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, enclosed are twenty new sheets of drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121. A copy of the Notice is also enclosed.

It is believed that no fee is due for this response. If any fee is due, please charge it to Deposit Account No. 12-1677.

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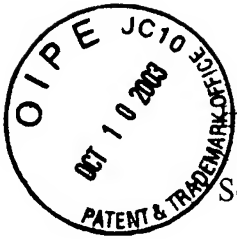
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The applicant asks that the Patent Office issue a corrected filing receipt for this application. An amendment will be filed to correct the erroneous information in the specification.

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